

# The “Can’t Miss List” of HIMSS 2018

This year’s [HIMSS](#) conference is right around the corner. We are thrilled to join the other 45,000+ of our industry peers to discuss emerging trends and the latest solutions transforming health care. As the must-attend event for health IT experts, there is certainly not a shortage of topics to discuss, programs to join, or keynotes to attend. In fact, prioritizing your schedule can be overwhelming, to say the least. As veterans of the annual conference, we’ve learned preparation is key to getting the most out of this five-day conference.



Here are some of the programs that made the top of our list:

**Monday, March 5: [“Technology for a Healthier Future: Modernization, Machine Learning, and Moonshots”](#)**

**Presented by Eric Schmidt, Executive Chairman, Alphabet Inc.** – Technology’s role in modernizing care continues to grow as more organizations move to the cloud. How the industry can leverage these solutions to better serve patients will certainly be a focus of discussion. At CNSI, we’ve seen firsthand the benefits of this [adoption in Michigan](#), and look forward to exploring these advantages further.



**Tuesday, March 6: [“How CMS is Leveraging Information and Technology in Medicare and Medicaid”](#)**

**Presented by Seema Verma, Administrator, CMS** – CMS Administrator Seema Verma has promised to make better access to data a priority of her tenure, but many within the healthcare industry are interested in hearing the strategy behind this promise. Government involvement in advancing interoperability is crucial to the future of the industry, and we look forward to learning more about her plans to leverage this technology to better serve patients.



**Thursday, March 8: [“MHS Opioid Registry: Promoting the Learning Health System”](#)**

**Presented by Chris Nichols, Program Manager, EIDS & Christopher Spevak, Director of the National Capital Region’s Opioid Safety Program, DHA** – The opioid epidemic continues to claim the lives of dozens of Americans every day, and states are scrambling to find a way to combat this devastating crisis. Leveraging technology to predict and prevent overprescribing and abuse is a [promising solution](#), and we can’t wait to



explore this issue more next week.

What sessions are you most excited to attend? Let us know on Twitter @CNSICorp and don't forget to use the hashtag #HiMSS18.

A promotional banner for the Himss 18 Conference & Exhibition. The background is a blurred image of a woman on the left and a man on the right. The woman is wearing a black blazer over a pink top and glasses. The man is wearing a blue patterned shirt. The text 'Himss 18' is prominently displayed in the center. Below it, a blue horizontal bar contains the text 'The leading health information and technology conference'. Underneath that, the text 'WHERE THE WORLD CONNECTS FOR HEALTH' is written in white. At the bottom, a purple horizontal bar contains the text 'Conference & Exhibition | March 5-9, 2018' and 'Las Vegas | Venetian - Palazzo - Sands Expo Center' in white.

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